Receipt date: 11/03/2006 OF E 10577051 - GAU: 4137 MODIFIED PTO/SB/08 A & B (08-03)

Substitute for Form 1449 A & B/PTO	A
INFORMATION DISCRESSURE	Co
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT	Fil

of 1

(use as many sheets as necessary)

1

Sheet

Complete if Known plication Number 10/577,051 nfirmation Number 2336 ing Date April 24, 2006 First Named Inventor Jean-Paul LECOUTRE Art Unit 3754 Examiner Name Unknown Q94616 Attorney Docket Number

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite	Document Number		Publication Date	
	No.1	Number	Kind Code ² (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Docume
		US 5,152,397	A	10-06-1992	Edward C. Mayled
		US			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document			Publication Date	Name of Patentee or	
		Country Code ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY	Applicant of Cited Document	Translation ⁶
					 		-
						1	
							+

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country where published.					
		International Preliminary Report on Patentability for PCT/FR2004/050521	Yes				

Examiner Signature	/Daniel Shearer/	Date Considered	01/29/2009	
				_

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /D.R.S./

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov, MPEP 901.04 or follow the hyperlink from the title of the document to the intranet. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST. 3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Skind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST, 16 if possible. Applicant is to indicate here if English language Translation is attached.